

## REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

**Title of Publication:** RXXX: Prescription For Pain

**Other Known Title:** RXXX: Prescription For Pain (Part 1 And 2)

**Format:** DVD

**Director/Author:** Not Stated

**Producer/Publisher:** Shuuta Biwajima, et al.

**Country of Origin:** Japan

**Language:** English, with English subtitles

**Applicant:** The Film and Video Labelling Body Inc.

**Distributor:** Roadshow Entertainment NZ Ltd

<b>Classification:</b>	Objectionable.
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**Descriptive Note:** Not Applicable

**Display Conditions:** Not Applicable

**Date of entry in Register:** 19 February 2008

**Date of direction to issue a label:** Not Applicable

**OFLC No:** 703156

**Unexcised version of publication:**

	Components	Running time
<b>Menu:</b>	Play All Episode 1 Episode 2 Extras Set Up	

<b>Timed components:</b>	Copyright Warning / Siren Visual Notice	0.06
	RXXX: Prescription For Pain Part 1	26.40
	RXXX: Prescription For Pain Part 2	29.37
	Art Gallery	1.55
	Hooligan	1.10
	I Love You	1.03
	Little Monica	0.44
<b>Total running time:</b>		61.15

**Excisions:** No Excisions Recommended

**Reasons for excisions:**

Not Applicable

**Summary of reasons for classification:**

The DVD *RXXX: Prescription For Pain* is classified as:  
 Objectionable.

*RXXX: Prescription For Pain* promotes and supports the use of violence or coercion to compel any person to participate in, or submit to, sexual conduct. The publication is therefore deemed objectionable.

The DVD contains two episodes of a Japanese anime series and three trailers that explicitly portray sexual acts of a violent and coercive nature. The publication presents sexual coercion and sexual violence as a sexually arousing and acceptable activity. The publication focuses on the power of the male participant over all the female characters and his ability to control them through sexual coercion and rape. The visual focus on women's breasts, genitals and distressed faces encourage the impression that women accept and are aroused by sexual coercion and rape as well as promoting sexual violence as an acceptable and arousing activity.

The classification of this publication interferes with the freedom of expression, but this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's intention that publications falling under s3(2) are deemed to be objectionable. The classification is also a reasonable limitation on the freedom of expression that reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to limit the availability of publications that promote and support the use of violence or coercion to compel any person to participate in, or submit to, sexual conduct.